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## NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

**FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)**

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**Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
*Applicant must submit \$ 385 to complete the basic filing fee for a small entity.*
- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Replacement drawings in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 are required. The drawings submitted are not acceptable because:
  - The drawing sheets do not have the appropriate margin(s) (see 37 CFR 1.84(g)). Each sheet must include a top margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a left side margin of at least 2.5 cm. (1 inch), a right side margin of at least 1.5 cm. (5/8 inch), and a bottom margin of at least 1.0 cm. (3/8 inch). See Figures(s) 15.

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- Additional claim fees of **\$201** as a small entity, including any required multiple dependent claim fee, are required. Applicant must submit the additional claim fees or cancel the additional claims for which fees are due.

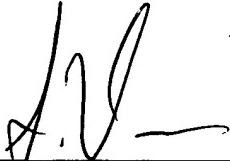
**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is **\$651** for a Small Entity

- **\$385** Statutory basic filing fee.
- **\$65** Late oath or declaration Surcharge.
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is **\$201**
  - **\$129** for 3 independent claims over 3.
  - **\$72** for 8 total claims over 20.

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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS  
OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION**

Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application filed under 37 CFR 1.53(b) dated September 23, 2004. A shortened statutory period for response to the communication was set to expire two months from the date of the letter, making a response due on or before November 23, 2004.

The applicant hereby authorizes the patent office to charge the undersigned's deposit account no. 11-0260 for the fee of \$385 basic filing fee; the fee of \$65 for the late filing of the Oath; \$129 for 3 extra independent claims; \$72 for 8 extra dependent claims and any other appropriate fees.

In reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts, 37 CFR 1.63, enclosed is a duly executed Declaration.

In reply to the Notice to File Missing Parts, Section 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121,  
enclosed are nineteen (19) sheets of formal drawings.

It is now believed that all requirements of the patent office have been satisfied and  
processing of the application in due course is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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